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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Norio TANAKA et al.

Application No.: New U.S. National Phase of PCT/JP2005/002964

Filed: July 14, 2006

Docket No.: 128728

For: OPTICALLY CONTROLLED OPTICAL-PATH-SWITCHING APPARATUS, AND
METHOD OF SWITCHING OPTICAL PATHS**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification;**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and**Remarks.**